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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Doeberitz Airfield

EVALUATION see below

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. In [REDACTED] 1953, [REDACTED] three concrete pillboxes, for one man each, in the patch of wooded land in the northwestern corner of Doeberitz airfield. Wrecked aircraft were also observed there. A fenced-in area with four temporary buildings or sheds was seen west of the patch of woodland, near the point where the road to Priort branched off. Look-out posts had been erected at the four corners of this fenced-in area. An AAA emplacement of 37-mm guns was seen at the east side of the field. A telephone line extended from the emplacement to Hamburger Chaussee in a northwesterly direction and from there to Nauen. The terminal mast of this line at the AAA emplacement was fitted with an umbrella antenna.

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2. On [REDACTED] sedan [REDACTED] occupied by a general and two officers entered the field. Six tank trucks arrived at the installation. About 5:30 p.m., [REDACTED] occupied by personnel were seen entering Richthofen Kaserne.

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3. About 3:15 p.m. [REDACTED] Wustermark was crossed from east to west by eight MiG-15s or u-MiG-15s. At 4:30 p.m. [REDACTED] Wustermark was crossed over by single-engine aircraft.

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4. At 10:30 a.m. [REDACTED] no aircraft were observed at the field. Some soldiers were seen performing some work at Richthofen Kaserne; officers were observed at the quarters on Hindenburgplatz. No aircraft or motor vehicles were seen at the installation [REDACTED] Some soldiers were seen performing work in the billeting area.

5. On [REDACTED] Richthofen Kaserne that a commission of 10 to 12 Soviet officers had inspected the barracks in stallation in [REDACTED] the installation would be reoccupied to capacity in [REDACTED]

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6. On []
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In early [] two Soviet officers visited him at his home because they knew he had previously belonged to Unit Kazavittski. The Soviet officers were accompanied by an interpreter called Shitkovski (fnm). They then proceeded with him to the barracks installation and inspected it together. It was determined that the heating installation of the barracks installations were not in working condition. The Soviets told the German that he would have to work again at the barracks installations and that also other Germans previously employed there would have to be released for work with the Soviets.²

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7. On [] observed no aircraft at the field. A total of 24 crates measuring 2 x 1.55 x 1.8 meters and painted gray-blue were being loaded on railroad cars in front of the workshops. [] 25X1
saw 37-mm AA guns at the two emplacements at the field.²

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8. On [] four boxcars loaded with foodstuff which had arrived from Juetarior-Altes Lager were being unloaded at the airfield. [] and personnel who wore black-bordered blue epaulets were involved in these unloading operations.

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9. On [] observed 6 or 7 soldiers with black-bordered blue epaulets unloading cartons about 50 x 30 x 30 centimeters large from railroad cars. Some of the cartons were enlettered Match Factory Riesa. [] loaded with such cartons was seen proceeding to the artillery park.²

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1. [] Comment. The arrival at Heberitz airfield of 8 x 1-man pillboxes was observed on [] 1952. These pillboxes had probably come from Brandenburg-Briest airfield, where the dispatch of 17 such pillboxes was observed on [] 1952. 25X1

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2. [] Comment. AAA emplacements are available at the field in its northwestern, southwestern and southeastern portions. The latter emplacement is difficult to observe and is therefore frequently overlooked.

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3. [] Comment. No air unit is stationed at the field. No information has been received concerning an intended reoccupation of this installation. Unit Kazavittski was the OATB of the ground attack regiment which moved to Brandenburg-Briest airfield in May 1953. The intended rehiring of German personnel mentioned in connection with the inspection of the barracks installation was reported also from other Soviet posts.

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4. [] Comment. A repair shop for jet engines is located in the northeastern corner of the field. From the measurements reported it is inferred that the crates were used for the shipment of jet engines.

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5. [] Comment. Until 1950, the Match Factory Riesa belonged to one Robert Langstein. The firm supplied Soviet installations with matches.

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